

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

Application Number	10/576,496
Confirmation Number	4656
Filing Date	April 20, 2006
First Named Inventor	Toshihisa KOMORI
Art Unit	1014 1636
Examiner Name	Steven Post J. Dunston
Attorney Docket Number	Q94468

U.S. PATENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Patent Number	Kind Code ¹	Issue Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1					

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Publication Number	Kind Code ¹	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1					

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Foreign Document Number ³	Country Code ²	Kind Code ⁴	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁵
	1	02/083874	WO	A2	2002-10-24	The Johns Hopkins University		N

NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	T ⁵
	1	KENI GU, et al., "Identification of Potential Modifiers of Runx2/Cbfa1 Activity in C2C12 Cells in Response to Bone Morphogenetic Protein-7", Cells Tissues Organs 2004:176:28-40	N
	2	TOSHIHISA KOMORI, "Runx2, A Multifunctional Transcription Factor in Skeletal Development", Journal of Cellular Biochemistry 87:1-8 (2002)	N
	3	SHUYING YANG, et al., "In Vitro and In Vivo Synergistic Interactions Between the Runx2/Cbfa1 Transcription Factor and Bone Morphogenetic Protein-2 in Stimulating Osteoblast Differentiation", Journal of Bone and Mineral Research, Vol. 18, No. 4, pp. 705-715, 2003	N
	4	MICHAEL STOCK, et al., "Identification of Novel Target Genes of the Bone-Specific Transcription Factor Runx2", Journal of Bone and Mineral Research, Vol. 19, No. 6, pp. 959-972, June 2004	N

EXAMINER SIGNATURE

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
/Jennifer Dunston/ (02/09/2009)	

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /JD/

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. 2 Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 3 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 4 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 5 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.